1	ORDINANCE NO. <u>07-2015</u>
2 3	ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE
4	CARRYING OF WEAPONS IN COUNTY BUILDINGS
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6 7	The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Adams does ordain as follows:
8 9	WHEREAS: Wisconsin Act 35, commonly known as "Concealed Carry Law" was signed into law on July 8, 2011, to become effective on November 1, 2011; and
10 11 12 13	WHEREAS: There are legitimate concerns for the safety and security of County employees and members of the public in all County owned, occupied or controlled buildings; and
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15	WHEREAS: It is in the best interest of Adams County that an Ordinance be
16	enacted intended to preserve and promote public protection and safety, public
17	peace and good, and workplace safety and health.
18 19	NOW THEREFORE, the Adams County Board of Supervisors does hereby
20	ordain as follows:
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22	1. AUTHORITY. This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to Wis. Stats.
23	§175.60 and shall become effective after enacted and publication as
24	required by law. The provisions of Wis. Stats. §175.60 are
25	incorporated herein as if stated in full.
26	2 DEFINITIONS
27	2. <u>DEFINITIONS</u> .
28	 a. "Weapon" includes, without limitation, any firearm (including a handgun), an electric weapon (as defined in Section
29 30	941.295(1c)(a), Wisconsin Statutes), a knife (except a pocket
31	knife with a blade less than 2.5 inches), a switchblade (as
32	defined in Section 941.24(1), Wisconsin Statutes), a billy club,
33	or any device designed or used as a weapon and capable of
34	producing great bodily harm or death.
35	b. "Carry" means to go armed with.
36	c. "Licensee" means an individual holding a valid license to carry
37	a concealed weapon under Section 175.60 Wisconsin Statutes
38	or an out-of-state licensee per Section 175.60(1)(f)12.
39	Wisconsin Statutes.
40	d. "Sign" means a sign that states a restriction imposed hereunder
41	and that is at least 5 inches by 7 inches.
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43	3. <u>PROHIBITIONS</u> .

44	a. Neither a licensee, out-of-state licensee, or any person,
45	may knowingly carry a concealed weapon, or a weapon
46	that is not concealed, in any part of a building that is
47	owned, occupied or controlled by the County, including
48	but not limited to: Court, Law Enforcement,
49	Administration, Health and Human Services, Highway,
50	Storage Facilities, County Parks, Solid Waste, Community
51	Center, or County Fairgrounds buildings and any County
52	owned/leased vehicles. This prohibition does not apply
53	to:
54	1. Certified law enforcement officers, entitled
55	to carry a weapon, while acting in their
56	official capacity and with lawful authority.
57	2. A person who leases residential or business
58	premises in the building.
59	3. A person <i>if</i> a firearm is in a non-county
60	owned or leased vehicle driven or parked in
61	the parking facility, or to any part of the
62	building used as a parking facility.
63	b. County employees, contractors/subcontractors, agents
64	and assigns, are prohibited from carrying a concealed
65	weapon or a weapon that is not concealed in the course
66	or during any part of their employment. This prohibition
67	does not apply to:
68	1. Certified law enforcement officers, entitled
69	to carry a weapon, while acting in their
70	official capacity and with lawful authority.
71	2. An employee, who is a Licensee, properly
72	storing a weapon or ammunition in the
73	employee's own motor vehicle, regardless
74	of whether the motor vehicle is used in the
75	course of employment or whether the
76	motor vehicle is driven or parked on
77	property used by the County.
78	A judge who is a licensee carrying the
79	weapon or if another licensee or out-of-
80	state licensee, whom a judge has permitted
81	in writing to carry a weapon, is carrying the
82	weapon.
83	4. A district attorney, or an assistant district
84	attorney, who is a licensee carrying the
85	weapon.
86	c. The County Property Committee shall review any request
87	for a "special event" and place any restrictions on it as is

88	deemed necessary. Organizers of any "special event" on
89	County property may allow or prohibit any persons
90	carrying or possessing a weapon from entering or
91	remaining at the special event. This prohibition does not
92	apply to:
93	 Certified law enforcement officers, entitled
94	to carry a weapon, while acting in their
95	official capacity and with lawful authority.
96	2. If the firearm is in a vehicle driven or
97	parked in the parking facility, or to any part
98	of the special event grounds or building
99	used as a parking facility.
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101	4. Notice to all persons of this Ordinance shall consist of
102	signage, not less than 5" X 7" in size, posted at all entrances to County
103	buildings in prominent places, where persons can reasonably be
104	expected to see the sign. Language shall be drafted and approved by
105	the Adams County Corporation Counsel prior to ordering and posting
106	said signs.
107	a. In addition to Notice by signs as defined above, Adams County
108	may install equipment at any and all entrances to County owned
109	property, and/or employ security personnel to detect and/or
110	disallow persons carrying weapons from entering County
111	property.
112	 b. County employees shall be additionally notified through
113	amendments to the County's Personnel and Administrative
114	Policies and/or employee handbooks.
115	c. Notice for any special event covered herein shall be by posting a
116	sign located in a prominent place near all of the entrances to
117	the special event, such that any individual attending the special
118	event can be reasonably expected to see the sign.
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120	5. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.
121	a. This Ordinance is intended to be consistent with, and
122	cannot supersede, state law/or federal law.
123	b. This Ordinance shall amend and supersede all provisions
124	of Ordinance No. 17-2011 or any other Ordinance in
125	conflict herewith. If any provision or clause of this
126	Ordinance or its application to any person or
127	circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect
128	other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that
129	can be given effect without the invalid provision or
130	application, and to this end the provisions of this
131	Ordinance are severable.

132	c. Reference to the Wisconsin Statutes herein, include such
133	statutes now existing or hereafter amended.
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135	6. <u>PENALTIES.</u>
136	 a. As applicable, referral to law enforcement or the district
137	attorney for prosecution, including a fine of up to \$500 or up to
138	30 days in jail under Wisconsin Statutes Section 175.60(17),
139	additionally, Wisconsin Statutes Section 943.13, or any other
140	applicable statutes.
141	b. For County employees, discipline up to and including discharge
142	from employment.
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144	7. <u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u> . This Ordinance becomes effective on June 16, 2015
145	after enactment by the Adams County Board, and Publication as required
146	by law.
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148	Recommended for enactment by the Property Committee this 13 th day of May,
149	2015.
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151	/s/ Paul Pisellini, /s/ Dave Repinski, /s/ Rocky J Gilner, /s/ Lori J Djumadi
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153	Enacted by the Adams County Board of Supervisors this 16 th day of June, 2015
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155	/s/ John West, Chairman /s/ Cindy Phillippi, County Clerk